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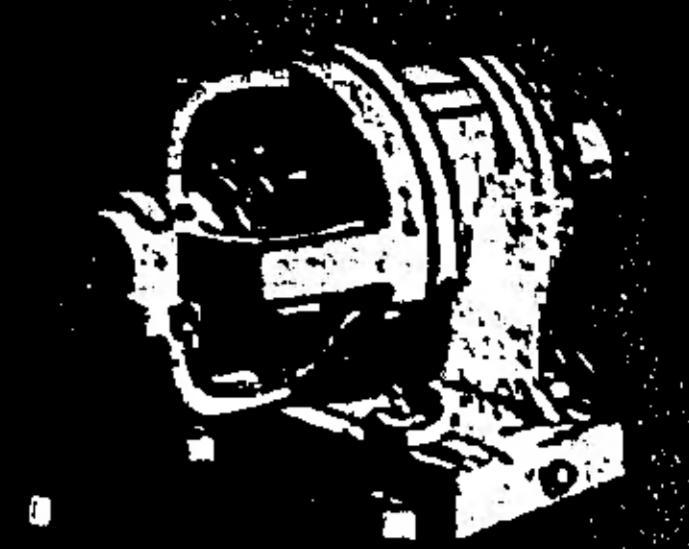
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THE WASHINGTON PROPOSALS.

Profound Impression upon British Official Circles.

(Reuters' Service.)

London, November 14.
Although the Premier has not yet officially received Mr. Hughes' proposals, Reuter learns that official circles are profoundly impressed by the opening of the Washington Conference, which is regarded as demonstrating completely the sincerity of the United States.

Programmes Discussed.

Washington, November 14.
Mr. Hughes, Mr. Balfour, M. Briand, Signor Schanzer, and Baron Kato, accompanied by experts, met this morning and discussed the programme and procedure of the Disarmament Conference.

The heads of the delegations assembled in the afternoon and discussed the programme of the Far Eastern discussions.

Britain Accepts in Principle.

Washington, November 14.
It is officially announced that to-morrow's sitting of the Conference Mr. Balfour will accept in principle America's disarmament proposals.

Open Publicity.

The heads of the delegations to-day discussed the question of publicity. The United States favours open meetings, with frequent executive sessions for private discussions, of which the results will be presented at the open meetings.

With "Certain Definite Modifications."

It is understood that Britain's acceptance of the disarmament proposals is based upon "certain definite modifications."

Mr. Denby (the U.S. Naval Secretary) announced that American naval construction will not be stopped except by Congress or a definite international agreement.

Replacement by Annual Instalments Instead of in Bulk.

It is understood that, instead of ten years' entire cessation of building, Mr. Balfour will propose limited replacement year by year, with a reduction in shipbuilding plant, otherwise it will be necessary to spend large sums for the maintenance of idle plant in readiness to build at the end of ten years. Britain also considers the tonnage fixed for submarines too high. It is believed that Britain will propose either the abolition of submarines or limitation of size and armaments.

Commissions to Examine Questions.

Washington, November 15.
A conference of the chairmen of the five Great Powers decided that the question of limitation of armaments be considered by a commission composed of all the principal delegates instead of by the heads of the delegations only.

A similar course is to be adopted regarding the commission on Far Eastern questions, in which nine nations are concerned.

Japanese Accord.

London, November 14.
Reuter learns that Japanese circles in London regard Mr. Hughes' proposals very favourably, and consider that, subject to technical elaboration, they should prove entirely acceptable. It is declared that Japan will certainly follow the line taken by Britain.

Australasian Accord.

Melbourne, November 14.
The Premier, Mr. Hughes, declared that the United States was to be congratulated on its practical disarmament scheme.

Wellington (N.Z.). November 14.

Mr. Massey expressed satisfaction with Saturday's sittings, and reiterated that lengthened peace was only securable through a friendly agreement between Britain, America and Japan.

SOVIET INFLUENCE IN THE FAR EAST.

Treaty Between Russia and Mongolia.

Paris, November 14.

The New York Herald states that a treaty was signed at Moscow on the 5th inst. between the Russian Soviet and the Mongolian Governments, definitely expanding the Soviet zone of influence in the Far East.

SENSATIONAL OCCURRENCE AT LANDRU TRIAL.

Overwhelmed Press Representative Commits Suicide.

Paris, November 14.

The correspondent of *La Découverte* (a Toulouse journal) rose abruptly during the Landru trial to-day saying he could stand no more, and left the Court. He went to the Hotel and blew out his brains with a revolver.

LIQUIDATIONS IN ENGLAND.

Board of Trade Report.

London, November 14.

A reflection of the trade slump all round appears in the Board of Trade Annual Report, showing 3,158 liquidations in England last year, 119 of which were compulsory.

NEW YORK GARMENT WORKERS' STRIKE.

Objection to Piecework System.

New York, November 14.

Sixty thousand garment workers of New York have struck as a protest against the piecework system. The struggle promises to be prolonged.

PORT OF LONDON STOCK.

London, November 14.

The Port of London Authority will shortly issue £2,000,000 per cent. stock at the price of 96.

ANTHRAX REPORT ADOPTED.

Geneva, November 15.

The Labour Conference has unanimously adopted the anthrax report.

PRESIDENT SIGNS U.S.-GERMAN PEACE TREATY.

Washington, November 14.

President Harding has signed the German peace treaty.

ON THE WATERFRONT.

Manila People in Hongkong.

Quite a number of prominent Manila people are in Hongkong awaiting the departure of the Hoosier State at noon on Thursday. Some of these are—

Mr. R. S. Norton, Mrs. Norton and son. Mr. Norton is manager of Messrs. Christensen, Bunn and Weatherer, Manila.

Mr. Geo. Sader, of Messrs. George Borgfield and Co. of Manila. He is going to the United States on holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Mathies and son. Mr. Mathies is associated with Messrs. Welch, Fairchild and Co., Manila, and is bound for Honolulu.

Mr. R. J. Harrison, president of Norton and Harrison Co.

Mr. J. Feldstein, of Eranger and Calinger Co.

Mr. and Mrs. T. X. Moser. Mr. Moser is associated with the Anglo-Nestle Co.

Passengers Left.

The Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen, Mr. G. S. Gubay and Mr. R. E. Bellis left by the Siberia Maru yesterday for Shanghai.

Mr. A. C. Hall, a well-known American insurance man who is touring the Far East, left by the China Mail steamer Nile yesterday for Java and Singapore.

New Port of Call.

The T.K.K. steamers operating on the South American line are to make Manila a port of call on their Eastward voyages to Valparaiso in the future. A start will be made with the recently-constructed Rakuyo Maru of 18,600 tons displacement when the arrives from Hongkong about the middle of next month from Manila. She will go by Japan ports, Honolulu, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Salina Cruz, Panama, Callao, Mollendo, Arica and Iquique to Valparaiso where she is due to arrive on March 1, next.

Cargo and Passengers.

The Hoosier State brought 3,312 tons of cargo to Hongkong, mostly hemp, copra, cigars and general merchandise.

In addition to 84 first class she had 206 Chinese, 247 Filipinos and 10 East Indian men aboard.

The Empress of Japan had 97 tons of cargo for Hongkong, mostly flour and apples.

General.

Advices have been received that the Pacific Mail Golden State left San Francisco for the Far East on November 5 with 8,750 tons of cargo. She is due here on December 5.

The Hoosier State is changing her colour here, as did the Empire State while here, to black.

Another Honeymoon Couple.

A day or two late perhaps, it is worth remarking that we are told that there was more than one honeymoon couple on the *Wenatchee* when she passed through. With a Caucasian bride, formerly Miss Lillian Stillwell of Ithaca, N.Y., Chonhai Huang, a wealthy young Chinese, returned home.

In Wireless Communication.

Ships in wireless communication with the port to-day at 2.30 p.m. were—Empire State, Lieutenant de la Tour, Cheribon Maru, Lake Gilpin, Somali, Caddo Peak, Nanang, Malaya, Tanda, Peking Maru, Carnarvonshire, Kawachi Maru.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE WASHINGTON CONFERENCE.

London, Nov. 14.

The very boldness of conception of the disarmament proposals have "staggered humanity." There is no question, however, of the cordiality of the reception accorded the plans in principle, in Britain no less than in the United States. The grand sweep of the scheme, the transparent sincerity of its presentation, have captured public imagination and admiration, tempered only by quite comprehensible reserve regarding vital considerations which must engage attention if the proposition can be hammered into shape for common acceptance.

Mr. Hughes' dramatic plunge in *medias res* is contrasted with the old time diplomatic manner of approaching problems gradually, almost stealthily. The hope is expressed that the Japanese share the American and British appreciation of the courage of the statesmen who submitted the proposition, although it is recognised that some experts among the world's three naval Powers will find it very hard to acquiesce in the scrapping of the programme.

America Loses Most.

It is pointed out that under the scheme by far the greatest loss will fall on America, as her ships are near completion. On the contrary, no battleship or cruiser is being constructed in Great Britain, though the contract has been signed for laying down four, costing £32,000,000. It is conceded that a very searching question is addressed to Japan if she is asked to content herself with a permanent naval strength of 300,000 tons, compared with Britain's and the United States' half million each; but it is pointed out that the alternative to acceptance is competition, wherein she is sure to be worsted and reduced even to a more unfavourable position. While, however, a degree of enthusiasm is manifest at the prospects of the leading Naval Powers agreeing to big cuts, the important fact is not lost sight of that the question of a naval holiday and agreement on Far Eastern questions are interdependent.

THE WORK OF THE BLIND.

Exhibition at Helena May Institute.

A sale of the work done during the year by the blind girls at the Industrial Institution for the Blind, Kowloon, was held at the Helena May Institute to-day. Various woolen garments, well-made mats, and brushes of all kinds were exposed for sale, and it was difficult to realise that the craftswomen could not see, so well was the work done. The stalls were attractively laid out and the wares displayed were of a quality to open wide the purse strings of the many visitors to the Institute during the day.

The Right Rev. the Bishop of Victoria in introducing Lady Stubbs, spoke of the work of the blind and said how impressed he was at the number of sightless people in China. He spoke of the good work done by the Institute at Kowloon and the need of such a home in the Colony.

In declaring the sale open, Lady Stubbs said she hoped that people would remember the Industrial Institution for the Blind not only to-day but on other occasions. There are many blind people in Hongkong that

the Institute was very necessary and was a cause well worth assistance.

The ladies who so kindly gave their assistance were Mrs. Edkins, Mrs. Chaterton, Mrs. Wattie, Mrs. White, Mrs. Gerken, Miss Normington, Miss Barber, Miss Weeks (in charge of the Institute), Mrs. Finch and Mrs. Hopwar.

In addition to the work shown at the Helena May Institute to-day, the girls at Kowloon are now making tennis nets, and if these are as well-made as their other work, customers should not be lacking.

DARING HOLD UP.

Robbers Board Tramcar.

A WEST POINT SENSATION.

A sensation was created in the town last night on the receipt of a report of a daring robbery.

A tramcar, proceeding in a westerly direction along Des Voeux Road West, was boarded by armed men who, in the guise of passengers, took their seats on the top deck and in the lower compartments. When Beach Street, was reached (the road here being "rather dark"), the motorman felt something hard pressed against his side, and immediately discovered that it was a revolver, held by a man who was the sole occupant of the first class compartment. The revolver was concealed from the view of people in the street by the careful way in which the man covered it with his jacket, leaving only the tip of the muzzle exposed.

Other men in the third class compartment were at the same time making a similar display of revolvers.

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TRAFFIC SUMMONSES.

Defendant Who Forgot.

In a summons for reckless driving heard by Mr. R. E. Lindell this morning, Sub-Inspector Appleton, who prosecuted, said that the defendant, a Chinese driver of car No. 187, was speeding at a rate of 20 to 25 miles an hour at 6.10 p.m. on the 21st October, witness was on duty, proceeding along Bonham Road when at the junction of Eastern Street the car came up from behind, being driven along in a furious manner.

The Magistrate asked the defendant for an explanation for his failure to appear in Court last week when the summons was called.

The defendant: I had forgotten all about it. I did come up in the afternoon and explained to the Traffic Inspector.

Inspector Garrod: He only

came up when I sent for him. He knew he had to come, but took on a fare an hour before the Court heard the summons.

His Worship to defendant: \$30. I shall fine you \$10 more than usual for neglecting to obey the order of the Court.

When the driver of car No. 146 was charged with passing a stationary tramcar on the 2nd instant, the excuse was put forward that the tramcar was discharging passengers which took a long time. Defendant being in a hurry was obliged to proceed.

His Worship: That is no excuse. The regulations are made to protect people getting on or alighting from tramcars.—\$10.

Sergeant Portillo charged another driver with going along Leighton Hill Road with dim lights. It was stated that the lights were solely drawn from the engine, and as this slowed down or stopped, the lights flickered or went out. A fine of \$5 was inflicted.

The late driver of Mr. Ho Cheuk's car with a number of ladies in his car, when going along Leighton Hill Road on the 24th October, deliberately swerved out of his track in order to frighten a small boy who had hurriedly skipped out of his way and stood in the gutter. This act was witnessed by Sergeant Portillo who duly reported the offence to Mr. Ho Cheuk with the result that the defendant is now looking for another job.

The defendant sought to give a different story in the Court to-day by stating that the boy deliberately jumped into the middle of the roadway in front of his car and that he had to swerve the car in order to get out of the way. Furthermore, half of the road was under repairs and it was slippery after just being watered.

The Magistrate: Have you got anything more to say?

Defendant: What I would have to say would not help me much. Your worship will only believe what the constable says.

His Worship: Is the defendant's employer in Court?

Inspector Garrod: His master said he only came up to see that the man attended. He has no sympathy with him.

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THE BUDGET.

Continuation of Yesterday's Debate.

We were unable yesterday to give a complete report of the budget discussion which took place at the Legislative Council. The following makes the report complete:

The Hon. Mr. Pollock, following his general remarks on behalf of the Unofficial Members, said:

1. The first remark which I have to make is that I hope that the Government will most vigorously press on the settlement of the terms of agreement for the transfer of the Military establishments to the mainland, and thus give the Colony greater room for expansion on this side.

2. My second point is in connection with the opening up of King's Park for building sites. Some two or three years ago the Unofficial members of this Council went most carefully into this matter with the late Director of Public Works, Mr. Chatham, and recommended that, apart from the golf links, the whole of King's Park, including the Rifle Range, should be thrown open for building purposes. In fact at that time all manner of schemes were being suggested by local architects for utilizing the available area to the best advantage; but the whole question seems to have been allowed to lapse.

3. My third point is to suggest a query as to whether the Government is wise in spreading out its expenditure over so many items, for it must be remembered that, on uncompleted items of work, whether they be Government buildings, or Quarters for Officers, or even motor roads, the particular work, whilst still in an uncompleted state, is of no worth or utility whatever, and merely represents a loss of so much interest on the money expended

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THE BUDGET.

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pressure in certain districts of Hongkong and Kowloon is totally inadequate, and this is a matter which should receive the immediate consideration of the Government, for without a suitable supply of water an up-to-date Fire Brigade is a mere waste of money. In view of the proposed expenditure on the Fire Brigade, I hardly feel justified in recommending any further increase, but sooner or later the question of adding to the fire fighting equipment afloat will have to be seriously considered. Negotiations are, I believe, at present proceeding with private concerns owning tugs, fitted with fire pumps etc., whereby same will be available in case of any serious outbreak on the Harbour, and while such an arrangement may be satisfactory as a temporary measure, the acquisition of a modern motor fire boat should not be lost sight of.

Schools and Hospitals.
With regard to the Saiyin-pun School, Sir, I shall be glad if the Honourable the Director of Public Works will furnish us with definite information as to when a commencement will be made with the new building. I understand a pledge has been given on two different occasions that this work would be put in hand without delay, but so far nothing has been done. It is stated that the School is now so hopelessly overcrowded that immediate action is necessary, and I would therefore urge, Sir, that operations be started as soon as possible.

I understand that it has been customary for some years past for the Government to assist the Alice Memorial Hospital with an annual donation of \$500, but in view of the excellent and ever increasing work carried out by that Institution, I would recommend that not less than \$1,000 per annum be voted in future.

A Satisfactory Budget.
In these times of unexpected commercial difficulties I congratulate the Government on being able to lay so satisfactory a Budget before the Council, covering, as it does, so many works and so much progressive development for the future good of the Colony. At the same time I cannot refrain from remarking that the degree of taxation is much heavier than in the past; and I venture to repeat the warning already submitted by the Chamber of Commerce, that a half should be called in the levy of increased taxation.

The Director of Public Works.
The Hon. Mr. Perkins said: There have been so many questions put this afternoon that I must ask members to excuse me if I am not able to deal with them as fully and completely as I should like. Reference has been made to the very heavy programme of the P.W.D., and it has been said that we shall not be able to carry it out, —that a good deal will be left over. I think that is likely to prove a very fallacious idea. This year, nearly every work that is shown in the budget is more or less in course of being materialised, and do not think the hon. and learned member will have to complain next year that we are not asking for enough money.

The tramway to Wanchai Gap may be extremely desirable, and it has been pointed out that before the Peak Tramway was opened, only very few sites were built upon on the Peak. There are none at Wanchai Gap; neither will the tramway open up sites in addition to sites already open along this road. This scheme may very well stand over for a year or two more. The Police station which has been referred to would hardly come under the head of Public Works. Recurrent. This awaits development of the land on one side of the road. To do anything before then would be too expensive. As to the Victoria Hospital Maternity Block, the \$125,000 should not have been in the original estimate. It was intended to cover that year's expenditure. The expenditure this year is \$256,000, of which the maternity block represents \$177,000. It is also proposed to remodel the hospital and staff quarters, which has not yet been commenced.

A Faulty Estimate.
The traffic road from Wanchai Gap to Magazine Gap was put down at \$20,000 and was corrected in this year's Estimates. I do not know why the \$20,000 was inserted. It does not approach the probable cost. There is a thousand feet of retaining wall, with an average height of 15 ft., and a maximum of 35 ft., so that the estimate of \$76,000 which ap-

pears in this year's Estimates is not an unduly high figure. The amount put in the Estimates for Queen's Statue wharf was \$92,000. This is the amount which it is anticipated will be spent this year; it does not include anything for the superstructure. The Government has proceeded with the piling, while the drawings for the superstructure are being prepared. As to the Praya East reclamation scheme, the contractor has ordered Decauville wagons and rails. The requisite length and weight of rails for locomotive wheels and axles are at present being considered by the contractors, and it is anticipated that orders for them will be placed this month, whole to be delivered in four months' time. Meanwhile the Decauville wagons will be worked by manual power. The contract time of six years hardly seems too long for the scope of the work, although a great deal of the area will be brought into use before that time. With regard to the telephone fog signalling installation at Waglan, only a small amount of building work is being done. The chief expenditure is in plant; therefore no contract has been invited for the building. It is being done under the annual contract for small works and will be ready when the machinery arrives about the end of the year. As to the refuse dump at Cheung Sha Wan, the total amount of \$40,000 has been reduced to \$5,000. This does not mean any alteration, but is only the amount which it is proposed to spend this year.

These Tennis Courts.

With regard to the houses a Seven Road and the tennis courts there, this work was begun in November, 1919. The total expenditure to date is \$188,867, of which the tennis courts cost approximately \$17,800. As to the question, "Why separate tennis courts?" it was considered that houses of this character should have a tennis court; moreover we had to get filing for the road and this undoubtedly had an influence in arriving at a decision. There is a penalty clause of \$20 a week, but it is not proposed to inflict the penalty as the delay in completing is not due to the fault of the contractor but to non-arrival of stores from England. Moreover, it has only been a short delay. One house will probably be completed two months ahead of me, and two houses about a month behind me. The total cost is something under \$60,000, which I think members will agree is very reasonable for the character and quality of the houses erected there and compares very favourably with other work of similar character. It has been said that it is undesirable to spread money over so many items but, the number of contracts in the last few months

Gazette shows how much work is unavoidable. It is not a case of a stupendous programme which has no chance of being finished in its entirety. Of course, several jobs will continue into another year at least, but a great deal of the work in the programme will be completed.

Frills to Government Quarters.

As to the necessity of building houses for Government servants, I might mention that a man arrived a couple of days ago and there was no accommodation for him. He is living at the Hongkong Hotel at daily rates. We have been told that the Public Works set up a high standard in regard to accommodation. I do not think the buildings are any better than they should be, and there are no "frills." As to the report on the tramway to Wanchai Gap, this related to levels and formation but did not refer to the equipment. That would be likely to be two or three times the estimate for the road. With regard to the Un Long scheme, that has been receiving a great deal of consideration. Mr. Carpenter, the Assistant Director of Public Works, has been to a public meeting of the people interested; but it is a big scheme and will take some time to bring into operation. It provides for bunding a great deal of land and making it available for cultivation. One of the points that makes difficulty is that all the gentlemen in the district are not quite in accordance with Mr. Lau's scheme, and they do not like it. It is taking a little time to persuade them which scheme to support.

There is no question of enforcing the Building Ordinance all over the New Territory; but there are one or two places in which it would be better if it were enforced more than it is. Un Long, one of our biggest towns, is one of those places. A good deal of gambling and speculation goes on in the hope that the Government will have to resue the land; and immediately it becomes known outside the office that a scheme of development is on hand,

and seems suddenly to acquire more value. As to the mortuary at Shek Tong-tsun, this was more or less hidden away in the country. Then three or four houses were built near it. It was not a case of a mortuary being put down amongst houses; the houses came to the mortuary. The Government agreed to pay half the cost of removing it if the people erected would pay the remainder, and I note that one of the people concerned is now building close to the mortuary at Kowloon; and he is sending a proposal asking the Government to remove that mortuary. Park Road, which has been referred to, is certainly narrow, and I think it is a pity that the site to which Mr. Lau referred was sold some years ago; but there are not many motor cars using the road. As to land sales by private treaty, I am afraid that the suggestion by Mr. Bird would give an opening to a good deal of collusion. The suggestion as to Kowloon cemetery is receiving consideration, and sketches for dealing with it are being prepared. A water pipe across the harbour is a thing that may possibly have to come in the future. The matter of scaffolding workers seems to be a real grievance at the present time. The prices being paid and the wages are demanding certainly seem to me excessive.

Kowloon Tong Scheme.

With regard to the Hon. Mr. Stephen's remark about town planning, I would like to point out that the Government have not gone on in the hand to mouth way that the hon. member suggested. There has been very complete town planning for Kowloon for many years, and I myself laid out a system of monuments indicating streets—some of them at that time in the sea—on the lines of the work I did at Brooklyn, in the United States, in a town planning scheme there. When you build a town like Victoria on the sheer side of a precipice, I do not think English town planners would do very much better than we have done. As to resumptions, the number that we deal with for street widening is insignificant. The Kowloon Tong development scheme is a case in which land is privately owned by small persons and has to be resumed in order to be parcelled out again under a town planning scheme. These are the resumptions which are bought up by speculators as soon as it is known the Government is coming in. As to water pressure, as soon as the removal of the hill has been completed a big main will be brought down from the Reservoir into Kowloon, and this will increase the pressure throughout the whole district. As to the Saiyin-pun School, I am hoping that an exchange of land will be arrived at within the next month.

The Hon. Colonial Treasurer made a brief statement regarding the contribution of \$600,000 to the University and the question of raising loans.

The Form of the Estimates.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary: At the opening of his speech the hon. and learned member representing the Justices of the Peace referred to the form of the estimates, especially as regards the abstract on pages 5 to 12, and asked that an extra column should be put in showing the revised estimate for the current year.

His Excellency the Governor:

Page 5 contains information which the hon. member desires. The only question is whether it is worth while extending the system to pages 8 to 12. I am rather doubtful whether it will be so.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary:

The second suggestion was the column showing the estimated cost of Public Works Extraordinary. It is sometimes possible to put in the estimate cost of works and sometimes it is not so; and to put in an estimate which is quite inaccurate would probably be more misleading than having no estimate at all. The matter will be considered and may be possible to put in a number of items.

Wanchai Tramway.

Coming to the hon. members' remarks on the Wanchai tramway project and on the continuation of the road from Wanchai Gap to Victoria Gap, I would like to say that in the first place that I suggested the making of the tramway to Wanchai Gap and had had it in mind for years before making the suggestion; and I realised then that it probably would not pay. It might prove an expense, but it will certainly yield no return on capital expenditure for a number of years. It would, however, be so useful in developing the district by carrying building material up to the sur-

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rounding area, and would also be of use to a large number of passengers who would use it for getting to such a central point as Wanchai Gap and by visitors to the Colony, that I now think we should get quite a good return from the beginning;

and as development proceeded we should get some return on capital and be able to regulate the fares in the public interest. I realise that no private Company could be expected to embark upon such a venture which would probably cost about four acres; and that there is a cost of making the road from Wanchai Gap to Magazine Gap, and had had it in mind for years before making the suggestion; and I realised then that it probably would not pay. It might prove an expense, but it will certainly yield no return on capital expenditure for a number of years. It would, however, be so useful in developing the district by carrying building material up to the sur-

continue the plans and to provide some estimate of the total cost.

The Peak Road.

With regard to the Peak Road, I can say that I personally had nothing to do with it. It was a project that never appealed to me, and I was with the hon. member in thinking it was wholly unnecessary.

But I have become entirely converted, and I consider the road to

the Peak and as far as Victoria Gap, and possibly in the future much further than that, is an absolute necessity. I will refer to an answer given to the hon. member

by the Colonial Secretary on April 14. The hon. member asked whether the Government would take a vote of residents as to whether the road was required and he also wanted to know what was the estimated cost of making the road when such

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A. G. LAMPLUGH.
Hon. Secretary.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Steam Laundry Company Limited will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Alexandra Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on Wednesday the 30th day of November 1921 immediately after the previous Extraordinary General Meeting of this Company convened for the same date when the subjoined resolution will be submitted for the purpose of considering and if thought fit passing as an Ordinary Resolution, the following, namely—

"That in the event of any of the 8,000 shares of the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited of the nominal value of \$10 each credited as fully paid up the subject matter of the Special Resolution of this Company passed on the 14th day of November 1921 and confirmed this day being unaltered by reason of any of the share-holders of this Company holding such a number of shares as would entitle such shareholder to a fraction of a share of the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited only had fractional certificates been provided for then and in that event such unaltered shares of the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited shall be sold by the Liquidator of this Company and the net proceeds shall be divided amongst those members of this Company who would have been entitled to such fractions in due proportion."

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(1) That it is expedient to effect an amalgamation of this Company with the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited, and with a view thereto this Company be wound up voluntarily and that Charles Bernard Brown of Messrs. Linstead and Davis be and he is hereby appointed Liquidator for the purpose of such winding up.

(2) That the conditional Agreement submitted to the meeting for the amalgamation of this Company with the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited upon the terms (inter alia) of the acquisition by the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited of the complete undertaking, business, goodwill, and property of this Company in return for the issue to this Company of 8,000 (Eight thousand) shares of the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited of the nominal value of \$10 each credited as fully paid up and the payment of \$10,000 by the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited to Messrs. Linstead and Davis, the General Managers of this Company by way of bonus and compensation for loss of office as General Managers of this Company by reason of the transfer of the business, property and undertaking of the Company to the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited and in consideration of the payment to Edward John Chapman, the Managing Director of this Company of \$1,000 to William Samuel Brown a Director of this Company of \$1,000 and to Charles Bernard Brown, the Secretary of this Company of \$1,000 by way of bonus and compensation for their loss of office as Managing Director. Director and Secretary respectively by reason of the aforesaid amalgamation be and the same is hereby approved and the same is authorised pursuant to Section 185 of the Companies Ordinance 1911 to adopt the said Agreement and carry the same into effect with such (if any) modifications either before or after the execution thereof as the said Liquidator may think expedient.

(3) The aforesaid 8,000 shares of the Hongkong Hotel Company Limited shall in pursuance of clause 7 of the aforesaid Agreement be allotted to shareholders on the register of shareholders of the Steam Laundry Company Limited on the Thirtieth day of November 1921. The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 30th day of November 1921, to the 6th day of December 1921, both days inclusive.

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M. FERNANDEZ.
Liquidator.

Hongkong, 12th Nov., 1921.

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THE BUDGET.

(Continued from Page 3.)

The estimate was obtained. The answer given was that "the Government is not prepared to take such a referendum as is suggested, because the construction of the road has been approved by the Legislative Council. The road will be of the greatest value not only as a means of access to all parts of the Peak eventually by motor vehicles, but also it will reduce the cost of materials in repairs is a far better policy than to put up houses which will always be a heavy expense. Some of the houses that are being built are expensive. They are being very well built, because it has undoubtedly been proved that to build houses of good material which will require only a very small outlay annually in repairs is a far better policy than to put up houses which will always be a heavy expense. Some of the houses we have put up may be considered rather too large, and in some cases I think that is so, but I consider it not a bad thing to have a little on the side of being too large. Besides, they are built in a situation and in such a manner as to ensure the health of public officers, and that possibly will make it unnecessary for officers to take leave as frequently as they have owing to reasons of health. As regards the Government building quarters not already rejected, I can give no guarantee because there are a good many officers who have no quarters at the present time. The policy of building quarters was started on the suggestion of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and we embarked upon it with the housing difficulty arising since I do not think there is any question, if sites are available, that we shall go on building quarters for public officers until we have housed the whole service. I do not follow the hon. member's argument at all.

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military establishments, and the uncertainty as to what areas would be required. As regards the large sum spent on providing quarters for Government officials I cannot quite follow the hon. member either in his statement or in his request to the Government at the end of it. The

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THE MUSHROOM EXCHANGES. The last paragraph of the joint remarks of the hon. members raises a matter of very considerable difficulty, and that is the question of produce exchanges, which has occupied the mind of the Government already. It is, I think, impossible to exaggerate the evil which is likely to result from the

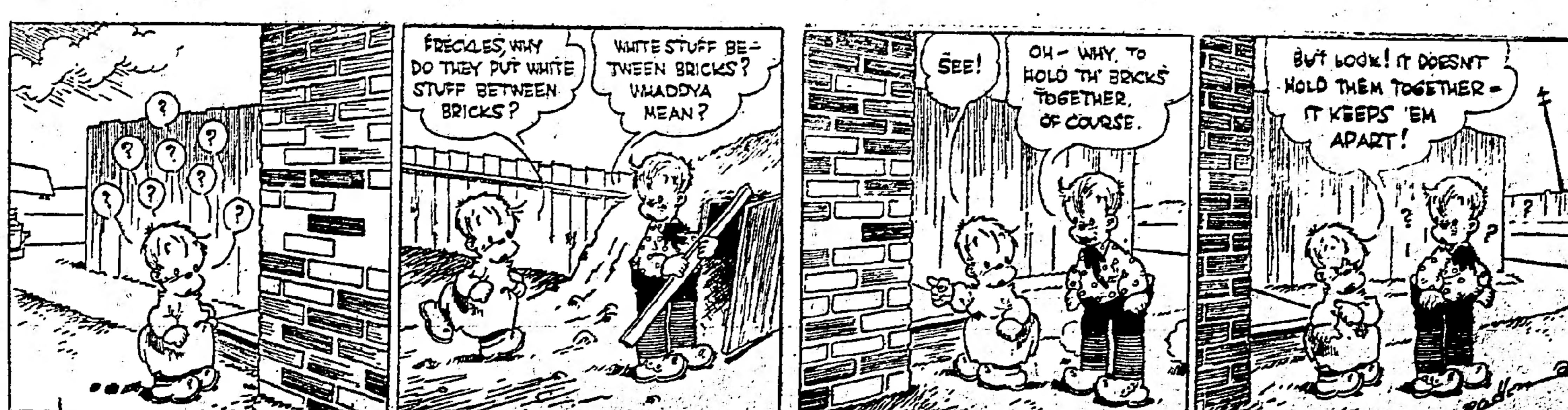
overpaid either in actual cash or in provision of houses. If he thought so I can assure him he is wrong. The community in this Colony is fortunate in obtaining the officers

of the Government who are not only honest but also have the power to get rid of the presence in this Colony of Bolsheviks and revolutionaries of various kinds, whatever their nationality may be. I need hardly say that the question of punishing a man whose only home is here will not be approached without the greatest hesitation. The Ordinance will certainly be used with the greatest care.

TOWN PLANNING.

The Hon. Mr. Stephen raised the question of town planning to which the Director of the Public Works has already replied. I must say I should hesitate gravely to

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reckless establishment of exchanges which are merely used for gambling and manipulating markets, and not for purposes of honest trade. Certain exchanges have been opened already in this Colony. I do not for a moment suggest that the remarks I have made necessarily apply to these; but it will be the duty of this Government to look very closely into the operations of any exchange which either is started or is proposed to be started, and if I see reason to suppose that they are not being used for legitimate trade purposes but simply to encourage reckless gambling, such as you have seen in Shanghai, I shall have no hesitation in asking the Council to give me any power necessary to shut them down without regard to loss of capital that the promoters may sustain.

The hon. member went on to make a few remarks of his own. The transfer of the military establishments, as the hon. member is well aware, is a matter engaging our attention very fully. He then quoted a remark of mine with regard to the sale of land on the road to Wanchai Gap. I said: "I may mention that one piece of land opened by the new road to the Peak sold a few days ago for \$50,000, which is exactly the estimated cost of completing the road to Victoria Gap."

Governor Finds a Champion. I think the hon. member rather misunderstood my meaning. The concluding words were used as an illustration rather than as an argument. I was not thinking that the land in question was on the Victoria Gap side of the road, but was looking at the road as a whole, and I thought it was a curious and interesting coincidence that the amount obtained by the sale of land on that section of the road was equivalent to the estimated cost of building it. I did not intend to mislead the hon. member. He knows my own views on the road, and I am interested at last to find somebody who champions it. I am still waiting to find somebody who will claim to have started the idea. (Laughter).

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Acknowledgment.

MRS. WILKIE and family, desire to return thanks for the numerous expressions of sympathy offered and for the many floral tributes received in their recent sad bereavement.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1921.

THE BUILDING PROBLEM.

We are not going to talk about yesterday's Budget discussion because we think our readers and the public of Hongkong generally have had enough of that subject for a little while—that is, if they have read the speeches. But there is something of very general public interest in the report by the Committee appointed by H.E. the Governor for the purpose of considering what measures can best be taken to facilitate the prompt acquisition by applicants of sites which they require and the prompt passing of building plans. It has been a general complaint for a long while past that when application has been made for any particular site an inordinately long time has been taken in holding a sale and that when building plans have been submitted to the Public Works Department a further series of delays have had to be endured. It was on the suggestion of the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., that such a Committee was appointed. This is another debt the public of this Colony owe to Mr. Pollock's indefatigable efforts.

In brief, the report emphasises the inadequacy of the Public Works Department staff. On the matter of the recommendations ask for prompt acquisition of sites the recommendations ask for one additional European Survey Officer, six additional Chinese surveyors, two more Chinese draughtsmen and a European Clerk. There is also, according to the Committee, a lack of office accommodation and of facilities for filing records on the ground of which it is recommended that the building of additional quarters for the staff be commenced at the earliest possible date. Regarding the passing of plans there is also a shortage of staff and insufficient accommodation, recommendations being duly made to remedy this state of affairs. It appears that those who have been sending in plans have not wholly complied with the regulations and that a considerable amount of work has to be done which might well be handed over to the Sanitary Department. The creation of a permanent Committee to check the decisions of the Building Authority is also recommended. Taking it on the whole, the report reflects the close attention of the Committee, but one cannot help thinking that the time has come when our Public Works Department should be housed in a special building adequate to its needs. It is obviously cramped at present and it has been more a victim than a sinner regarding the annoying delays the Committee was appointed to enquire into.

In his speech on the Budget, the Hon. Mr. Bird referred at considerable length to the housing problem and to the increased cost of building, making several very thoughtful suggestions to the Government on these vital matters. Our Government surely cannot complain of the quantity and quality of the advice it has now received and it is for the public to realise that the rapid development of this Colony cannot be achieved without the spending of the necessary money. There is something of a land and building boom in progress and we all need to take that large view referred to by His Excellency the Governor in his original budget speech. Certain it is that if we give prompt facilities now the Colony will all the more be a credit to those who own and govern it.

NOTES & COMMENTS

A Resignation.

Various circumstances have occasioned changes in the composition of the Legislative Council during recent months. It transpires that one of the Chinese members, the Hon. Mr. Ho Fook, notified his decision to retire, but agreed to defer his resignation so as to participate in yesterday's meeting. It is more than thirty years since the retiring member interested himself in public affairs, and he has been a member of Council for over four years. Mr. Ho Fook's resignation occasioned some surprise, as the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak supposed that his colleague would continue until the expiration of his term of office; but the junior of the Chinese members finds that private calls upon his time do not allow of his remaining on the Council. Graceful tributes were paid by his Excellency the Governor and by the senior Unofficial Member as well as by the other Chinese Member. The retiring member signalled his lively interest in the affairs of the Colony by a valedictory speech in which, while declaring that compulsory education appeared to be impracticable at present, he pleaded for an extension of vernacular education so that there might be enough schools for all children whose parents desired their offspring to attend, an attitude which will meet with general sympathy. It may be noted that the retiring member acknowledged the readiness of the Government to give ear to questions affecting the Chinese community when approached tactfully by their representatives on the Council.

The "Ayes" Have It.

Discussion has been ripe in the Country, as recorded in the latest papers to hand, as to the pros and cons of summer-time, which ended just as the mail left. Incidentally there was something inconsistent this year in the date of the end, for England enjoyed such a blaze of sunshine as no October on record had ever yielded, the temperature exceeding the highest registered at the height of the summer last year. But you cannot legislate for such phenomena, and official summer-time came to a close amid considerable Press discussion as to its merits. Broadly, the cities favour it, while agricultural districts are against it. In the towns, however, there are opponents. Apparently the worst of the objections raised by the town-dwellers is that young children lose sleep, being kept up till dark as before and having to rise an hour earlier. This would seem to be simply a matter for the parents. In regard to very young children, the hour of darkness at midsummer by ordinary time is too late. On the whole the assumed interference with natural laws about which much was heard when the late Mr. Willett put forward his proposal has not been found very inconvenient under the conditions prevailing in England, where there appears to be a decided majority for the system.

Old Father Thames.

The news that Harland and Wolff contemplate an even larger enterprise on Thames-side than was at first announced revises memories of the river's former glory as a shipbuilding quarter before a combination of circumstances transferred pre-eminence to the North. Except H.M.S. *Invincible*, launched just a decade ago, construction on Old Father Thames has been laggard during the past half century, to barges and other small craft. Time was when some of the finest tonnage sailing under the Red Ensign was turned out from London yards. The Great Eastern, whose unexampled tonnage startled the world, was built by the Thames Shipbuilding Co. of Millwall. Though something of a white elephant commercially, "the Leviathan," as the pioneer liner was nicknamed, did service in illustrating tonnage potentialities. Even when iron and steel ships became the vogue, the waterway of the Metropolis continued to produce ships, but the Northern yards, with the advantage of proximity to raw material, forged ahead of the Thames. The attempt to renew the industry there will be watched with special interest.

ISSUE OF MEDALS.

The total number of war medals issued from July 24, 1919, to September 5, 1921, is 7,119,600, made up as follows:—1914 Star 343,000, 1814-15 Star 1,530,600, British War medal 2,847,000, Victory Medal 2,394,000.

DAY BY DAY.

EVERY ABSURDITY HAS NOW A CHAMPION TO DEFEND IT, AND AS HE IS GENERALLY MUCH IN THE WRONG, SO HE HAS ALWAYS MUCH TO SAY; FOR ERROR IS EVER TALKATIVE.—Goldsma.

Among those returning to the Colony to-day by the Empress of Japan were Sir Paul Chater, C. M. G., and Mr. Richard Hancock.

Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin purchased the lease for twenty-one years of a plot of land at the Peak, with an area of 11,820 square feet, known as Garden Lot No. 57, which was sold by auction yesterday afternoon, at the upset price of \$501.

A meeting of the St. Andrew's Men's Association, Kowloon, will be held to-morrow (Wednesday) in St. Andrew's Hall at 8.45 p.m. when Mr. B. Wylie will read a paper on "The Romance of Publicity" which will be followed by a discussion.

The health returns for last week show no deaths from notifiable disease. There were two non-fatal cases of paratyphoid fever and one non-fatal case of diphtheria. Two Chinese died from influenza. Over the weekend there were two fatal cases of diphtheria and one non-fatal case of plague and enteric fever.

Our Canton correspondent, writing yesterday, reported that Luichow city (Kwangsi) has again been captured by bandits.

The magistrates have fled for the fourth time, while the officers in the magistracy were kept as prisoners. The bandits are said to be a few thousand strong, with Chan Sum as the captain. This force has looted, and set fire to all villages and market towns on their way, and have kidnapped hundreds of people. Commander Wong Kung has been ordered to proceed to Luichow to suppress this gang.

The full penalty which the Opium Ordinance provides for traffickers was yesterday meted out to the master of a trading junk who was charged by Revenue Officers in consequence of a raid resulting in the discovery of 4,440 taels of raw opium concealed in kerosene tins, wrapped with matting, and placed in the hold. A fine of \$10,000, or nine months' hard labour was inflicted in addition to a other term of six months imposed without the option of a fine. On the second charge of using the vessel for the conveyance of opium, the junk was ordered to be confiscated by virtue of a clause which stipulates for the confiscation of vessels under 50 tons on a conviction.

LAWLESS KWANGSI.

An Infested Province.

Our Canton correspondent writes, giving further details of the operations of bands of bandits in Kwangsi. He says that following the withdrawal of the Cantonese force commanded by Li Fook-lum a great many districts west of Nam Hoi are insufficiently protected and cases of robbery and piracy are reported daily. Traffic both on land and water is interrupted. A number of petitions have been made by the villagers but it seems that no attention is being paid to this matter by the authorities.

A report has reached Canton that a wireless telegraph station has been ordered for Wuchow, the use of which will be confined to the military.

At an extraordinary meeting of the Canton Parliament over forty members signed a petition requesting President Sun Yat-sen to issue orders at once for the pushing forward of the northern expedition.

A Peking telegram to hand today states that Wu Pui-foo has arrived at Pao-ting, when a meeting was immediately held concerning the reorganization of the Colony who are not qualified to wear service ribbons. It is as absurd to class every volunteer as a "dud and washout" as it is fatuous to maintain that every man who went to France was a hero.

The only point at issue is that the Legion is intended to perpetuate a comradeship that existed on the battlefields, and unless its membership is confined to those who saw active service it completely fails in its object. The fact that the Committee are not composed entirely of ex-Servicemen naturally makes it difficult, if not impossible, for them to deny membership to all and sundry.

CORRESPONDENCE

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph."

The British Legion.

Sir,

With reference to the recent correspondence about the British Legion, may I be permitted to write a few words.

Some of the ex-Service-Men who have written to your paper, state that the British Legion should only be for those who actually saw fighting. Do they not think that some of the men who "stayed at home" did as valuable a service to their King and Country as those who actually fought? Take my case for instance, I was in the Royal Horse Artillery with the Experimental Battery at the Experimental Grounds at Porton, Salisbury Plain, where every experiment with gas, liquid fire, H.E. charges, thermite, trench mortars, Lewis guns, Stokes guns and bombs, projectors, and different inventions in the form of projectors were carried out. I consider that while we were experimenting our lives were in as much danger as those who were fighting.

The Ministry of Munitions paid us £1 per day as "Danger Pay". Personally I do not see why we should have received 1½ per day, while those that were fighting got nothing. Our work was an extremely dangerous task and we never knew at what moment we should be blown "skywards".

When some of our men were experimenting with gas during the night we had to turn out of our beds with gas masks on, and clear away from the camp until it was finished. When we were firing the guns (and we had everything from .22" to 9.2" besides German, Austrian, and Turkish guns) we never knew at what moment we should have a premature and be blown to atoms.

At this experimental station we did all we could to contrive some ways and means by which our comrades away over the sea could

what womenfolk are. Often men in our battery had to stand in gas chambers with enemy gas masks on while our "chums" filled the chamber with all kinds of mixtures. Then when one or two of the men that were in the gas chamber were overcome with the gas—which penetrated the enemy masks—they were taken out and carefully watched by professors and doctors to see what effect the gas had upon them.

Now do not the persons who have been commenting on the eligibility of membership, think that a person who did work of the above nature, is eligible for membership?

As "Dardenella" says, I too understand that the speech made by H. E. Sir G. M. Kirkpatrick, K.C.M.G., K.C.S.I., at the first meeting, was for those who were of the Regular Army & D. of W.

I know for a fact that some of

those who did actually go in the front line would have "dodged" it if it were only possible. If some of those that did do the fighting were to have asked themselves if they would have "dodged" going up, they might feel in rather an awkward position.

Now that we have got an

association together in such a

small place as Hongkong, what

is the use of all this "grousing"?

Why not try and be more

agreeable and not "growl" so

much.

Life is far too short so why not

let things stand as they have been

going with the British Legion.

Yours, etc.

Hongkong, Nov. 15.

Sir,—While it is gratifying to note that many correspondents have taken up the cudgels in support of my protest as to the all-embracing nature of the local Legion, I should be sorry if my action were construed as an attempt to start a campaign of recrimination against all those in the Colony who are not qualified to wear service ribbons.

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Between Ourselves

By Robt. MacWhirter.

On Saturday afternoon last I he's wanted you cookboy had a kind o' unfortunate ex-perience. To begin wi I was missing link. On principle I late getting home for my tiffin, wasted another three minutes of which wasn't altogether my valuable time in mild fault. If a man will insist on rupperation but I was crauful to having a bit snifter it's very hard to use a language unknown to the to refuse without exactly going to the coolie. There was no cause to hurt his feelings. He was trying to be honest, but I was trying to be honest. I never was one to do that, especially where a drink was concerned.

Man, isn't it funny how time passes in a hotel lounge. Ye go for a peg and by the Hokey Fly before ye can look round somebody's suggesting having tiffin wi them instead o' going home. But I know when to draw the line, even if I am a Scotsman.

Going over on the Ferry of course another chap had to leech on and proceed to get a pet grouse out of his system. When you're jammed into a corner seat and wi' nothing to do but sit there, it's very hard work even to appear indifferent to such opportunities as that. When he invited me to walk up the road wi' him so as to no miss the last three chapters o' the complaint.

But I'm no' taking in ony ex parte serial stories to heart so he may as well have saved his wind and his shoe leather and taken a ricksha instead. I'd have come better off myself for when I got home, there was Janet and the wee yin inside them and nothing but black looks for this weak-willed creature that couldn't leave other folks to work out their own scheme o' salvation. From the way Janet spoke to me through the window I could see she was mad. No, that I'd promised to go wi' her to the Ministering Children's Bazaar. I'd have you understand but I'd given my word to be home sharp. What for I don't know unless it was so that the cook could have a longer sleep than usual but you know what womenfolks are. The wee yin kept pestering me to go wi' her and I'd have liked fine but the idea of meeting some o' yon fancy ministering folks kind o' kept one back. I could see that Janet was itching to ask me and I had to change the subject quickly in case she swallowed her pride and did so. Ay, it was a narrow squeak. I compromised though. I'd taken a stroll up after tea and see them home. Ay, fine. The boy there and then got strict orders to make Cheesy Loaf for master's tea and off they went like a pair o' school boarders that had been looking forward to Christmas time since last July.

Think's I to myself now's my chance for a quiet read so I fain'd the last lot o' *Linen Herald* out of the pantry and lay down on the sofa. I mind fine o' reading all about Mr. Lloyd George's toothache he got at Gairloch and thinking what a devil's own trouble you man must have had what between Irishers, folks wanting him to go to the Washington Conference, unemployed English Mayors traikin' up North, wet feet and neuralgia, when I suddenly come to myself and looking at my watch found it was five past five. Suffering mother; it must have been you peg affer tiffin on me. I thought it was b tier to never let on about her no' meeting me. But I was ready mind ye all the same. Oh! a fine business you bazaar. I got it all the dinner without commiss or full stops. Ay, the Punch and Judy was grand especially the boxing match at the end and the tea must have been Hongkong Hotel for Mrs. Taggart looked fine in a kind of blue dress and hat wi' a big blue feather right round the crown and there was one woman there serving at a stall couldn't speak to ye for the cigarette in her mouth and couldn't see ye for the smoke in her e'en the band ay, it was playing tunes yonder and some men the fool I couldn't keep from laughing and lots of the things were very dear though some folks seem to have an idea that you kind o' fair's a jumble sale but it would have been better no' to have marked the prices so high at first instead of having an auction at the end and the waitresses at the tea had coloured daddies on Mrs. Sutherland look ed awful smart in a nice black silk dress wi' a double skirt and what looked to me like trimmed wi' a string o' black beads or balls and white stockings and shoes awfu' neat like and lot of the stuff wasn't sold and it was a great pity that there wasn't more suitable like things that the bairns could have bought it cost ye 20 cents to get your parcels wrapped up but I just came away wi' mine in my hand and we didn't wait for the Bairns Entertainment thinking ye might be lonely like here yourself though mind ye there plenty men there especially looking at the Punch and Judy and Mrs. — That last line represents the first time up for a breath. I was glad after that I was stepping over the front door our substitute for a coolie rushed up and reported no sign of the enemy. When

One or two correspondents have recommended resigning from the Legion as a protest; but I wish to point out that there is a simpler remedy than that. According to the Rules and Regulations, the Annual Meeting takes place in December of each year, when the Committee come up for re-election and an opportunity is given for bringing forward resolutions. It is clear from the feeling expressed in the press that there is a unanimity among ex-Service men as to the need for more restricted

CORRESPONDENCE.

The Housing of Government Servants.

Sir.—As I had no right of reply in the Debate yesterday, I should like to explain that I did not intend to suggest that Government Servants were overpaid.

My sole point is that it is bad finance, in view of several other competing claims on our revenue, and the falling revenue on opium, to spend several hundred thousand dollars a year in the provision of an expensive and unnecessarily large type of house for Government Servants.

As an instance of extravagance, I may point out that the original proposal of the Government for housing Government Servants on the Homestead Site worked out, including Architects' Commission, at an average of \$65,000 per house or flat, and even included the scrapping of the present Government Pavilions which have at least 20 years of useful wear in them yet.

Yours faithfully,

H. E. POLLOCK.
Hongkong, Nov. 15.

Disturbing Music.

Sir.—May I through your valuable columns ask those who live near by Churches to kindly refrain from playing their piano, say between 11 and 12.30, which is the usual Service hour?

One goes to Church to worship, and it makes it exceedingly difficult to follow the sermon when some neighbour a few houses away starts playing a one-step or fox trot. Thank goodness, there are not many saxophones about in this place!

In a week surely one can keep away from the piano for about an hour, so as not to disturb a congregation.—Yours, etc.

CHURCH-GOER.
Hongkong, 12th Nov. 1921

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Ying-tak, November 12.—Last night at six thirty a fire broke out from a drug store. Soon the flames were beyond control and were driven swiftly by the strong wind from building to building, until the entire city was almost destroyed. The burning went on all night. This morning the city was a heap of ashes and crumpling bricks. I passed over the ruins this afternoon, going along the main streets of the city, and saw that not a single store was left in the city. The stores with many of their goods were consumed in the flames. Not only the stores, but many of the resident houses have gone too. At least seven-tenths of the city was burned.

All night long the flames raged. The people struggled to save a few of their things, and many of them did well to escape with their lives, but some fell in the midst of the flames. The exact number of people killed by the fire is not known.

Immediate help is necessary for these homeless and helpless, which number several thousands. Unless they are supplied with food and clothing (as the severe winter is approaching), many will doubtless be starved. Help ought to be rendered to these people as early as possible.

Any lady or gentleman who is interested in philanthropic work, may write to the S.A.S. Mission, Ying-tak. The mission's building is located West of the city, and hence escaped the flames.

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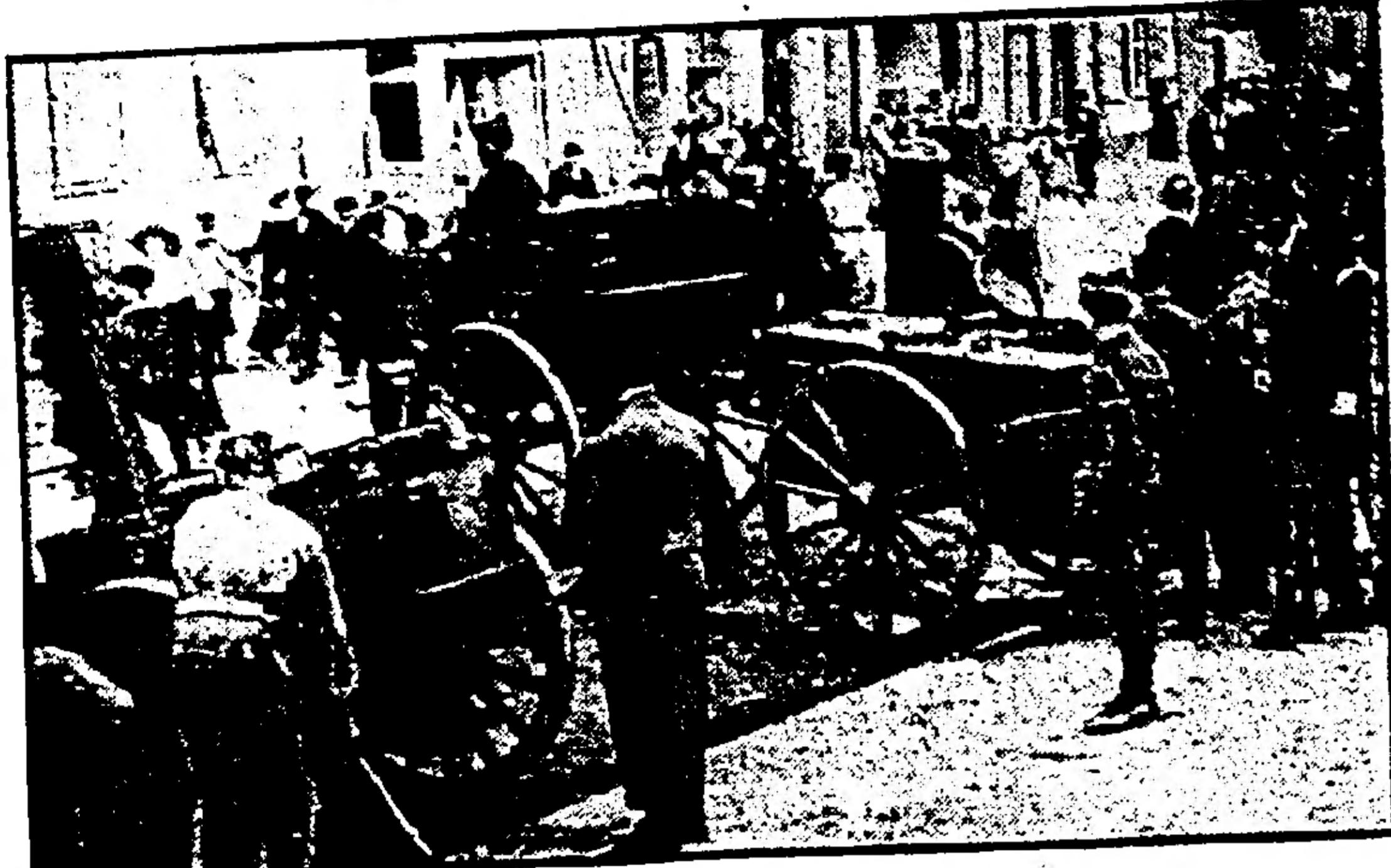
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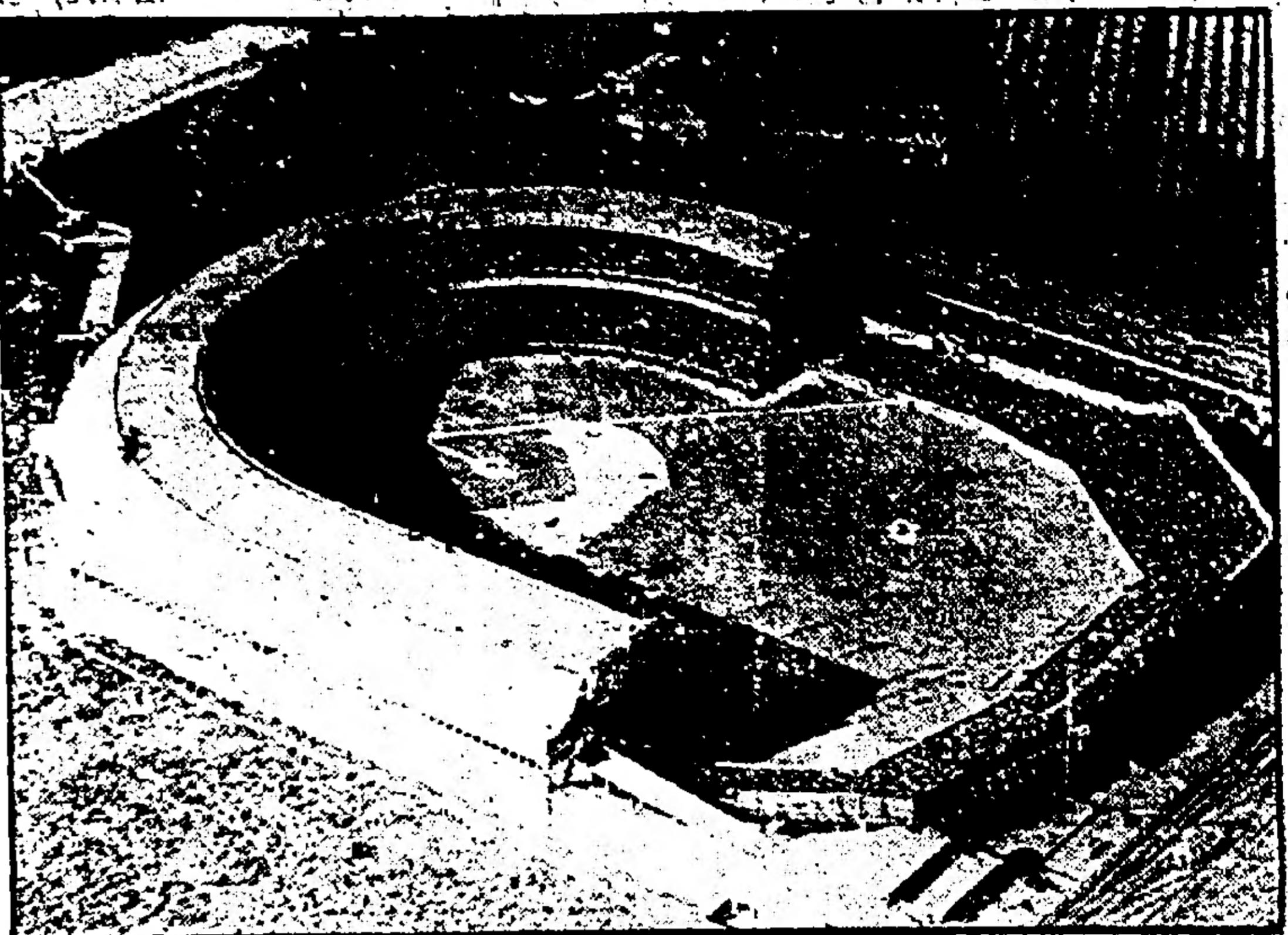
CAMERA NEWS



French soldiers working side by side with German Red Cross nurses to aid the Oppau explosion victims. Above, a French Field kitchen preparing meals in the streets for the homeless. Below, German nurses distributing food to injured women and children.



The Waacs, recently held a reunion and sports meet at Bedford College, England. This girl has her own method of jumping, but she cleared the bar.



A remarkable aeroplane photograph taken during the 1931 world series (baseball) in New York. It shows the crowds in the Polo Grounds "bowl" and the players in action on the field.



Money will now buy almost anything in Moscow, while throughout the country millions are starving. Above, the start of a trotting race on the Moscow track.

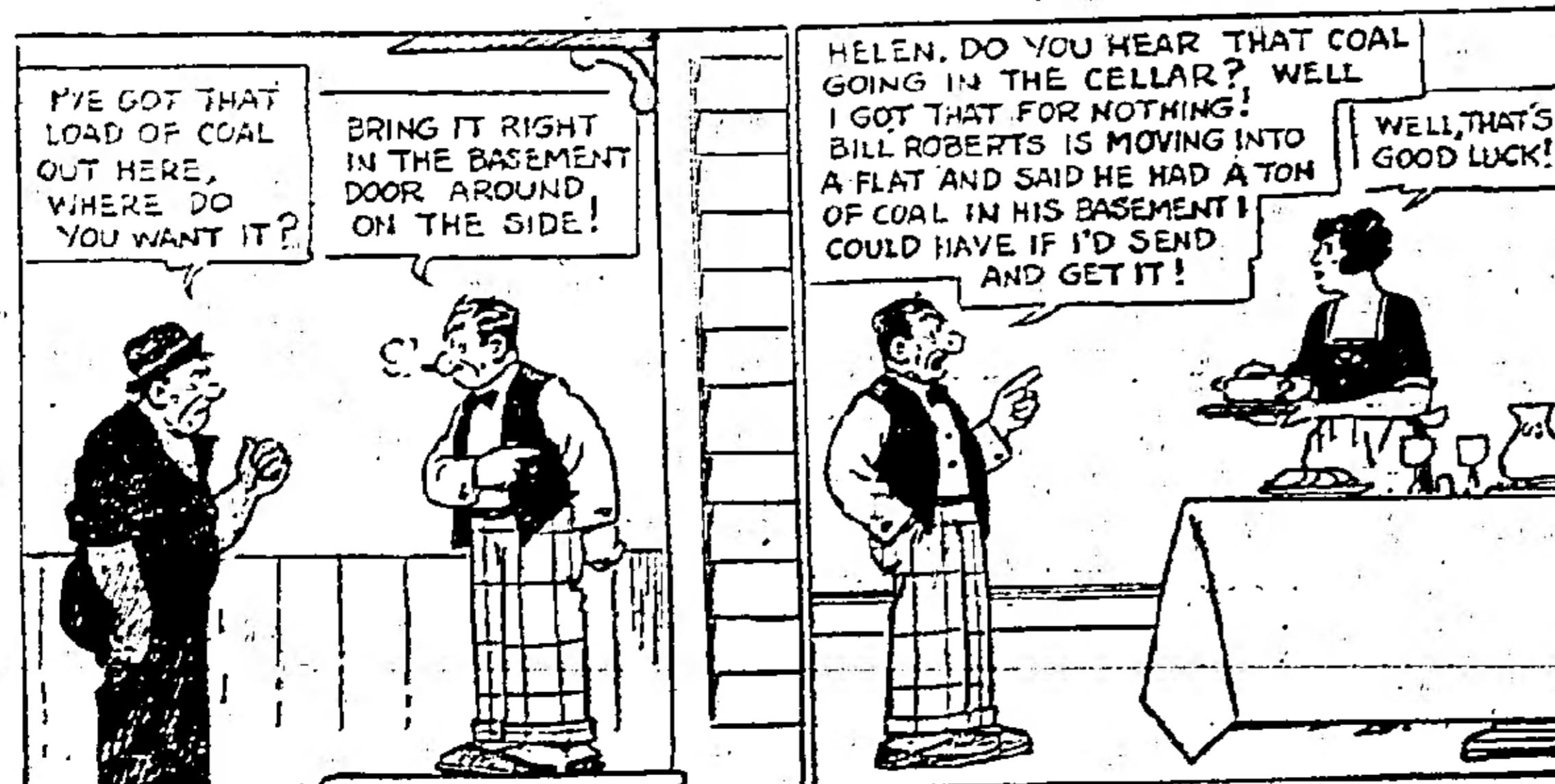


Because of hard times in Central Europe, Mlle. Amalisa Markus, Hungary's greatest tragedienne, has gone to work in a soap factory.

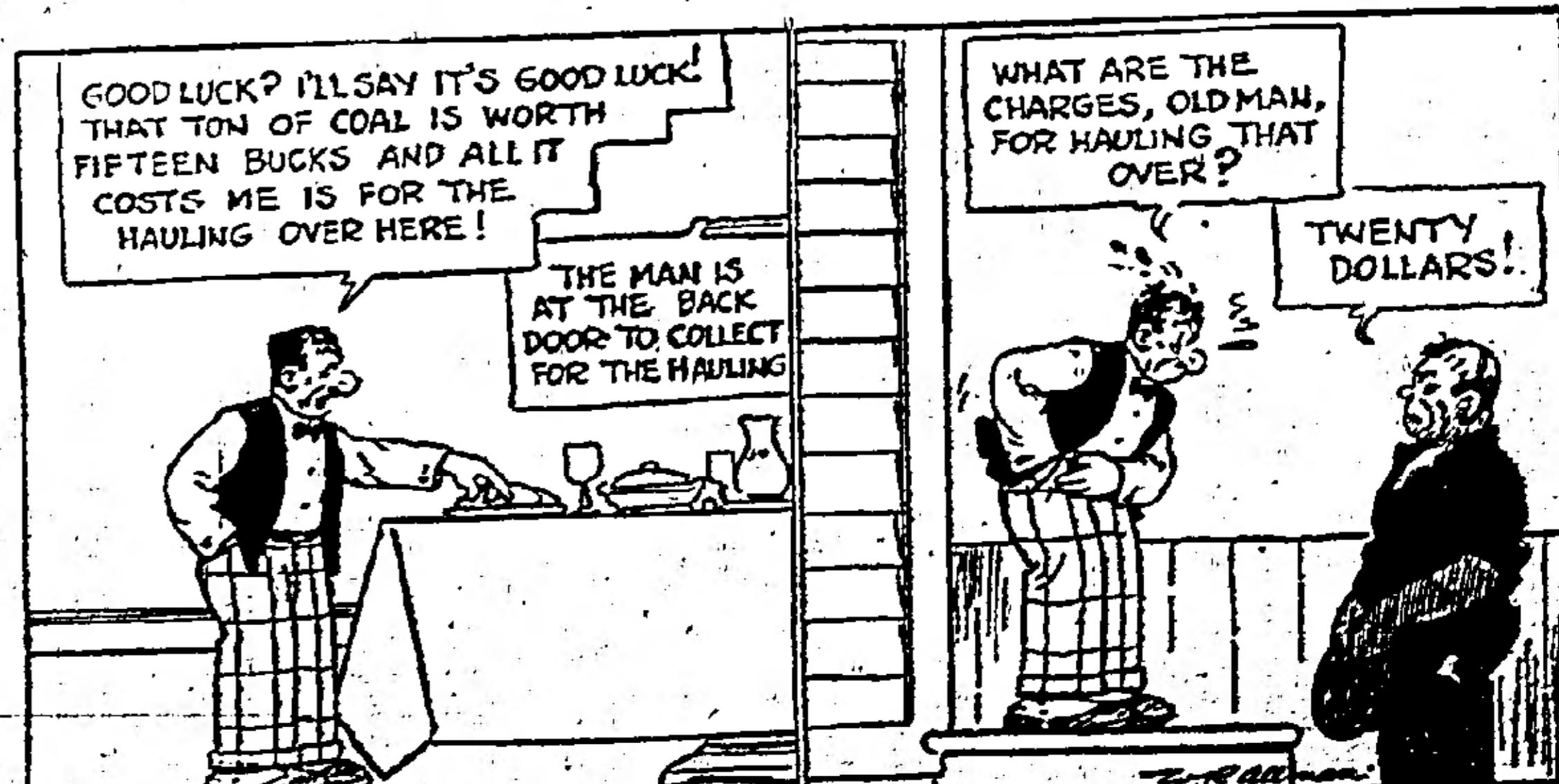


This is the entire crew of the S. S. Quest, Sir Ernest Shackleton's ship now on the Antarctic and South Sea expedition. Sir E. Shackleton is seen sitting in the centre with soft hat; on his right, is Commander F. Wild, second in command. Seated on the deck are Boy Scout Mooney (left) and Boy Scout Marr, who were selected from all British scouts to accompany the expedition.

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"COMPROMISED."

DEMANDING MONEY WITH MENACES.

Last Night's Show.

Last night the Warwick Company staged "Compromised." The plot was the old, old story of the girl who loved not wisely but well and the fellow who left her to pay. The unfortunate girl was Rose Blair (Miss Dorothy Radford) and the man was Stuart Capel (Mr. Dudley Howarth). But the girl had brother and the fellow had a sister, and with the idea of making her family see things in the right light, the sister went to the brother's room late one night and told him of her plan. Luckily, however, the waster son of Sir John Capel (Mr. Frank Wheatley) saw the error of his ways and made up his mind to do the right thing. The two brothers married each other's sisters and all ended happily. Rather a sordid sort of story and more suited to an East End theatre than to the Theatre Royal, Hongkong, but it had its brighter moments, which to a certain extent made up for the cheap melodrama. Parts of the play were very funny and the acting, at any rate, was good.

Mr. Edgar Warwick in the role of "Dick Blair" acted his part to perfection. There was something so natural about him; he seemed to forget all about the stage and to imagine that he was the outraged brother in real life. He lived his part, which showed him to be a born actor. Mr. Dudley Howarth as "Stuart Capel" completely won over all the audience. A languid youth of the times, too lazy to work and too fond of himself to give up anything for anyone else, yet possessing a certain amount of character and plenty of assurance, this part was admirably played by Mr. Dudley Howarth. It was a piece of very fine acting. The part of Marjorie Capel was played by Miss Gertrude Godar, and the part was played well. The audience were completely carried away by her and the success of the piece was in no small measure due to this artiste. Mr. Tom Fenwick as "Arthur Blagden" was very funny. He shone most in the scene in which he was supposed to be—well, a little merry, shall we say. He was heartily applauded as he made his exit, and the applause was well-deserved. The role of "Rose Blair" was admirably well-acted by Miss Dorothy Radford. Miss Lena Flowerdew was

Serious Charge Fails.

Allegations of obtaining \$350 by menaces were brought against Lam Kwai-sin, a staff employed at the Imports and Exports Office, and another Chinese, at the Magistrate's Court (Mr. Dudley Howarth). But the girl had brother and the fellow had a sister, and with the idea of making her family see things in the right light, the sister went to the brother's room late one night and told him of her plan. Luckily, however, the waster son of Sir John Capel (Mr. Frank Wheatley) saw the error of his ways and made up his mind to do the right thing. The two brothers married each other's sisters and all ended happily. Rather a sordid sort of story and more suited to an East End theatre than to the Theatre Royal, Hongkong, but it had its brighter moments, which to a certain extent made up for the cheap melodrama. Parts of the play were very funny and the acting, at any rate, was good.

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very good as "Mrs. Moutrie." The part of "Sir John Capel" was portrayed by Mr. Frank Wheatley and Miss Bradley took the role of "Agnes (maid)." There should be a packed house to-night when "Grand Guignol" comprising three short comedies and a thrill—is the attraction. The whole of the Company will appear in the cast, and the entertainment will not be clever but diversified.

PORT INTELLIGENCE.

The following shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:

Vessels Arrived.

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Taiwan Wan Yee		New York & Manila	Hall's Wharf
Knight Companion	C.P.S. Ltd.	Vancouver & Shanghai	A 8
Emperor of Japan	C.P.S. Ltd.	San Francisco & Manila	A 1
Hoo-ee State	C.P.S. Ltd.	Hainan & Fort Bayard	C 37
Han-ee	C.P.S. Ltd.	Canton	Wharf
Sohu M.	C.P.S. Ltd.	Singapore	Adm. 1
Lushan M.	C.P.S. Ltd.	Canton	C 17
Aki M.	C.P.S. Ltd.	Yokohama & Nagasaki	Wharf
Nan Wah	Sok Hing & Co.	K. C. Wan & Macao	"
Poo Lee	Sok Hing & Co.	Fort Bayard	"

Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure
Hydrangea	Chin On S. Co.	Swallow	14th Nov.
Saiyung	B & S	Swallow & Shanghai	15th Nov.
Hoi Canton	Wo Hing	Kwong Chow Wan	"
Saigon M.	OSK	Singapore	"
Aki M.	NYK	Manila & Melaka	"
C.P.S. Ltd.	B & S	Singapore & Bangkok	"
Hai-ching	D & L Co.	Swallow & Foochow	"
Telemachus	Thien Kramon	Saigon	"
Chengchung	Manaco & B. House	Canton	"
Yatshing	J. M. & Co.	Swallow & Bangkok	"
B. I. S. N. Co.		Singapore & Calcutta	"

Impending Departures.

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Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Tibetana	J. C. L.	Shanghai	15th Nov.
Aki M.	NYK	Brunei	15th
City of Delhi	B. & S.	Calcutta	15th
T. F. S.		San Francisco	15th
Hilma	Ad Line	Liverpool	15th
Mentor	B. & S.	Antwerp	15th
Pelus	B & S	Liverpool	15th
Tydeus	B & S	Suez	15th
Carmen-thon	J. M. Co.	Hamburg	15th
Tykins	J. C. L.	Shanghai	15th
Suyang	B & S	Shanghai	15th
Chinang	B & S	Bangkok	15th
Kwai-sing	J. M. Co.	Calcutta	15th
Nile	C. M. Co.	Hainan	15th
Yatshing	J. M. Co.	Jara	15th
Kawachi M.	N. Y. K.	Cape	15th
St. Albans	P. & O.	Sydney	15th
Massang	J. M. Co.	Sandakan	15th
Luchow	B & S.	Singapore	15th
Tjimaneek	J. C. L.	Shanghai	15th
Tea	B & S.	Aden	15th
Tengyama M.	N. Y. K.	Japan	15th
Singaung	B & S.	Shanghai	15th
Dombai M.	N. Y. K.	Japan	15th
Namasing	J. M. Co.	Calcutta	15th
Choyang	J. M. Co.	Sarawak	15th
Lake Farar	Ad. Line	Java	15th
Tango M.	N. Y. K.	Yokohama	15th
Genoa M.	N. Y. K.	Colombo	15th
Haifong	D. L. Co.	Foochow	15th
Wu-natchee	Ad. Line	Seattle	15th
Chengchung	J. M. Co.	Tientsin	15th
Yuensang	J. M. Co.	Manila	15th

Impending Arrivals.

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Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Pelus	B & S	Shanghai	15th Nov.
E. of Japan	C.P.S. Ltd.	Shanghai	15th
Nelore	P & O.	Singapore	15th
Melior	B & S	Singapore	15th
Therese	B & S	Tangier	15th
Therese M.	N. Y. K.	Birkhead	15th
Bombay M.	N. Y. K.	Singapore	15th
Kawachi M.	N. Y. K.	Kobe	15th
Tango M.	N. Y. K.	Manila	15th
Tenca M.	N. Y. K.	Kobe	15th
Tanda M.	M. M. & Co.	Singapore	15th
Yokohama M.	N. Y. K.	London	15th
Tengy M.	T. K. K.	Yokohama	15th
Bowes Castle	D & Co.	New York	25th
Lima M.	N. Y. K.	Singapore	25th
Eastern	M. M. Co.	Sydney	25th
Nelore	M. M. Co.	London	25th
Kleist	N. Y. K.	London	25th
Telesia	B & S	Suez	25th
Keren M.	T. K. K.	Yokohama	25th
El of Riva	C. P. L. Co.	Vancouver	25th
Mishima M.	N. Y. K.	London	25th
Dongria	P & O.	London	25th
Sad M.	N. Y. K.	London	25th

Consignees Diary.

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Vessel	Agents	Goods Stored	Storage Expires	Claims to be Examined	Expiry Date
Wray Castle	D & Co.	Kowloon	Nov. 15	Nov. 25	Nov. 15
Harold Dollar	D & Co.	Kowloon	Nov. 15	Dec. 8	Nov. 14
Mexico M.	OSK	Kowloon	Nov. 13	Nov. 22	Wed. & Sat.
Knight Companion	B & S	Holt's	Nov. 19	Dec. 3	Tues. & Fri.

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S.S.	Tons	From Hong Kong (about)	Destination
NYANZA	7,000	26th Nov.	M'les, London & Antwerp
LAHORE	5,500	6th Dec.	S'pore, Colombo & B'bay

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JAPAN	Tons	From Hong Kong (about)	Destination
	7,000	15th Nov. 1 p.m.	Calcutta via Straits.

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

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	4,500	16th Nov. at 10 a.m.	Melbourne via Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane & Sydney.

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TANDA	Tons	From Hong Kong (about)	Destination
EASTERN	7,000	20th Nov. d'light.	Amoy, Shai & Kobe.
NETTLE	4,000	23rd Nov.	Yokohama direct.

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HAKONE MARU Friday, 9th Dec. at 11 a.m.

YOKOHAMA MARU Friday, 23rd Dec. at 11 a.m.

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TANGO MARU Tuesday, 20th Dec. at 11 a.m.

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DELAGOA MARU Friday, 25th Nov.

NEW YORK via SUEZ.

TSUYAMA MARU End of December.

RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES via Cape.

KAWACHI MARU Wednesday, 16th November.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

GENOA MARU Friday, 18th November.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

MORIOKA MARU Thursday, 24th November.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

TANGO MARU Thursday, 17th Nov. at 11 a.m.

NIKKO MARU Friday, 16th Dec. at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

BOMBAY MARU (Omitting Shanghai) Thursday, 17th Nov.

TSUYAMA MARU Thursday, 17th November.

YOKOHAMA MARU Sunday, 20th Nov. at 11 a.m.

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DAY BY DAY.

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William Harris, stated to be a deserter from the U.S. Army, was charged before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Police Court this morning with being a stowaway aboard the Silver State. Inspector Spear who prosecuted said that the defendant was discovered around the firemen's quarters soon after the liner left Honolulu. The American Consul General at this port had been referred to, but he did not wish to have anything to do with the defendant. His Worship sentenced the defendant to one month's imprisonment.

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Tues. 15	2	8.14	2.52	3.5
Wed. 16	3	8.44	2.58	3.9
Thur. 17	4	9.17	3.2	5.0
Fri. 18	5	10.51	3.57	4.2
Sat. 19	6	11.36	4.32	3.4
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